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INDISTINGUISHABLE AND FALSE
DIFFERENTIALS FROM COMPARATIVE
DATA MATRICES

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Dear Examiner Zhou:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated March 19, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application. This amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) that is filed herewith. The shortened statutory period was set to expire on June 19, 2008. With the accompanying petition for a one-month extension of time, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

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